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St. Thomas More Parish & St. Bernadette Mission

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25TH DECEMBER 2017

Christmas & New Years Coming up...

December 26th – 29th

**** No Daily Mass ****

Saturday, December 30th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church
2:45pm – Adoration and Confessions
4:00pm – Mass at St. Thomas More church
(For David Weimen)

Sunday, December 31st

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church
(For Theresa Deschenes)
11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission
(For the People)
4:00pm – New Years Mass at St. Thomas More church
7:00pm – New Years Mass at St. Bernadette Mission

Monday, January 1st – New Years

10am – New Years Mass at St. Thomas More church

Tuesday, January 2nd

9:00am – Mass at Rectory Chapel

Thursday, January 4th

9:00am – Mass at Rectory Chapel

Saturday, January 6th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church
2:45pm – Adoration and Confessions
4:00pm – Mass at St. Thomas More church
(For the people)

Sunday, January 7th

9:00am – Mass at St. Thomas More church
(For Christine Fras)
11:30am – Mass at St. Bernadette Mission

Please remember in your prayers...

Those who are sick, especially:

Christine Fras, Erica Perk, & Hermine Jandristis

and those who have died, especially:

Deacon Richard Blake,

Barbara McMurray & Keith Walton

*Contact Fr. Craig to have a name added to this list
for four weeks.*

Thank you for your generous offerings

December 3rd, 2017: \$ 989

Average for 38 received envelopes: \$24.08

November eGive: \$809 (Weekly avg: \$20.83 for 8)

St. Thomas More Parish now offers

eGive, Electronic Giving

Easy | Secure | Convenient | Beneficial

See the parish priest to enroll

~ Regular Sunday Masses ~

Saturday, 4pm at St. Thomas More, Millbrook
Sunday, 9am at St. Thomas More, Millbrook
& 11:30am at St. Bernadette, North Nestleton
(Old United Church, Nestleton Rd., North Nestleton)

~ Sacrament of Reconciliation ~

Sat 3pm - 3:40pm; Sun 8:20am - 8:45am
or by appointment.

~ Baptisms ~

Parents seeking baptism for their child should see the parish priest after Mass or visit baptism.stthomasmillbrook.ca to complete an information form and to learn more about the Baptismal Preparation Period. Preparation can begin before the birth of your child.

~ Marriage ~

Couples seeking Marriage must meet Father Craig at least one year prior to a desired date.

~ Birthday & Anniversary Announcements ~

Anyone wishing to publicly share a birthday or anniversary with the community at the end of Mass should see Phil Unger or Father Craig before Mass begins. Anyone wishing to renew their marriage vows and receive a special blessing for a significant anniversary should see Fr. Craig at least one week in advance of the anniversary.

~ Announcements and Prayers before Mass ~

Before the 9am Mass begins, all are welcome to use the form at the entrance of the church to include names of the sick or departed. After speaking with the priest, announcements may also be included in the same manner.

~ Mens' and Womens' Group ~

The Mens' and Womens' Groups support our parish with community building events, fundraising and by meeting many other parish needs. They meet every second Saturday of the month after the 9am Mass.

Sacred Heart College

Winter 2018 Course Offerings (begins January 8th)

God, Gods & No Gods: The Religions of Planet Earth

Dr. Robin Lathangue, Wednesdays 4:15 – 7:00 p.m.

Why compare religions? What value is there in knowing about the teaching of traditions other than one's own? Are religions really all that different, or basically the same, like alternative hiking trails to the top of the mountains? What are the trigger points, if any, that make it difficult for them to get along together? All these questions and more await your curiosity. Register online at: www.sacredheartcollege.ca or by contacting registrar@sacredheartcollege.ca or 705-745-5549.

Offering to Community Care and Food Share

Thanks to the hard work of the St. Thomas More Mens' and Womens' Group throughout the year, the needs of many will be met through an offering of \$500 made to Community Care. Additionally, the Mens' and Womens' Group contributed another \$500 to Millbrook Food Share; effectively aiding those of our community who are most in need.

Kitchen Convener

Thanks to the efforts of the Kitchen Convener, who arranges for volunteers to offer the snacks we enjoy each month, Coffee Sunday is always enjoyed by many. For years now, Kris has done a wonderful job of ensuring that Coffee Sunday is great. St. Thomas More is now in need of a new Kitchen Convener to ensure that Coffee Sunday continues to run so smoothly by recruiting volunteers each month to offer snacks for all to enjoy. Anyone interested should contact Bev at bevy@nexicom.net or 705-944-5141.

The Flying Fathers have returned!

The Lord has raised up a new generation of hockey playing priests who will compete at the Ennismore arena on Mon, Jan 29th at 6pm, featuring two priests of the Diocese of Peterborough, Fr.'s John Perdue and Paul Patrick.

Tickets are \$15 each, children under 12 free and can be purchased at www.ptbovocations.ca/hockey or by visiting the Vocations Office (820 Frank St. Ptbo) on Tue or Thu 8:30-4:30. Call 705-874-1871 for details.

Cleaners Needed

Thanks to a dedicated team of cleaners, many comment on how clean and inviting our church is. However, our team of cleaners is in need of more members to offer a couple of hours every two months to help keep our beautiful church and hall clean. Anyone interested in serving our parish through this ministry are asked to contact Mary at melnychuk01@sympatico.ca or 705-277-2420.

Children's Liturgy

Shannon Brady has graciously offered to create and run a Children's Liturgy at St. Thomas More church at the 9am Mass. This is a great way to enable our parish to meet the needs of both parents and children. Shannon hopes to begin early in the New Year, but needs help. Any willing to help out on an occasional basis, especially parents of children who might enjoy such an offering, are asked to contact Shannon at shannon.brady@dcdsb.ca or 905-441-3259.

A Great Time to eGive to Your Parish

Taking a vacation? Guarantee support for your parish while away with eGive electronic giving. See Fr. Craig with your questions or for an enrolment form.